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Tamil Pandits of Board High Schools in Dharmapuri taluk

* 147 *Q*.—DR. A. CHIDAMBARANATHAN (on behalf of Sri G. Krishnamoorthy) : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that recoveries are made of increments sanctioned and paid from 1st June 1960 to untrained Tamil Pandits in District Board High Schools in Dharmapuri taluk of Salem district;

(*b*) if so, the authority under which it is done; and

(*c*) whether there is any proposal to stop such recoveries ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Under the rules, unqualified Tamil Pandits are eligible to draw only the minimum in their scale of pay, i.e., Rs. 90 in the scale of pay of Rs. 90—4—110—3—140. But a few unqualified Tamil Pandits were granted increments though they were not eligible according to the rules. The amount paid in excess is being recovered.

(*c*) No.

DR. A. CHIDAMBARANATHAN : Sir, was any one of them on the permanent roll ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : I do not have that information with me now. If they were not entitled to increment and if they were paid the increment, that has to be recovered.

Learning of Sanskrit

* 148 *Q*.—DR. A. CHIDAMBARANATHAN (on behalf of Sri G. Krishnamoorthy) : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state the steps taken by the Government to encourage the learning of Sanskrit in the High School Course?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Provision has been made for the study of Sanskrit under Part II in the S.S.L.C. Scheme now in force and the pupils are free to choose the language under this part.

Madras Educational Subordinate Service

* 149 *Q*.—DR. A. CHIDAMBARANATHAN (on behalf of Sri G. Krishnamoorthy) : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to lay on the table of the House an extract of the Special Rules for the Madras Educational Subordinate Service, pertaining to the appointment of Grade I Hindi Pandits in High Schools ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : A statement [a] is placed on the table of the House.

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[a] Printed as Appendix I on pages 112–113.